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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C.

April 3, 19 79

State Department

Sir:

The attached communication is sent for your consideration. Please investigate the statements contained therein and forward me the necessary information for reply, returning the enclosed papers in accordance with your answer.

Very truly,

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DON H. CLAUSEN
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Copy of telegram fr. Tamalpais Valley Improvement Club, Calif re mass burial of 322 victims of Peoples Temple Jonestown.

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REPRESENTATIVE DON CLAUSEN
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OUR HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION AND THE PEOPLE OF TAMALPAIS VALLEY STRONGLY PROTEST THE PROPOSED MASS BURIAL OF THE 322 UNIDENTIFIED VICTIMS OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE MASS SUICIDE WITHIN OUR SMALL COMMUNITY AT THE DAPHNE FERNWOOD CEMETERY. THE PEOPLES TEMPLE WAS NOT PART OF OUR LIVES AND THERE IS NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD BE BURDENED WITH THE NATIONAL PUBLICITY INVOLVED, AND POSSIBLY BECOME THE SHRINE OF FUTURE CULTIST ACTIVITY. MANY OF OUR HOMES OVERLOOK THE CEMETERY AND IT IS UNFAIR TO US TO HAVE THIS CONSTANT REMINDER OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE ATROCITY. INSTEAD, THIS LARGE QUANITITY OF BODIES SHOULD BE PARCELED OUT TO SEVERAL CEMETERIES THROUGHOUT THE NATION SO THAT ANY ONE COMMUNITY DOES NOT HAVE TO CARRY THE BRUNT OF THE BURDEN. PLEASE TAKE ANY ACTION WITHIN YOUR POWER TO STOP THIS GROSS INJUSTICE TO OUR SMALL VALLEY OF 2000 RESIDENTS, AND REPORT WHAT ACTION YOU HAVE TAKEN. WE WILL MOUNT A PETITION DRIVE IF NEEDED. ALSO, PLEASE ADVISE US OF ANY OTHER ATION WE MAY TAKE.

A COPY OF THIS MAILGRAM IS BEING SENT TO ALL OUR COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATORS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR ADVICE.

TAMALPAIS VALLEY IMPROVEMENT CLUB
203 MARIN AVENUE
MILL VALLEY CA 94941

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the deaths of Peoples Temple members at the agricultural community.

The Department of Justice is also conducting its own investigation into the murder of Congressman Ryan and other federal offenses which may have been committed in connection with the operations of the Peoples Temple. In view of all of these pending investigations into the events at Jonestown, we believe that no purpose would be served at this time by an additional commission.

We do appreciate your suggestion, interest and concern about this terrible tragedy.

Sincerely,

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REMARKS: JULIA DOBBS REF.

LETTER MAILGRAM X TELEGRAM DATED: NOV 25 78

TO: PRESIDENT CARTER

FROM: REV. JESSE JACKSON, 930 E. 50TH ST., CHICAGO, IL

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR A COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE GUYANA CALAMITY.

RESPONSE:

CLOSED OUT:

BY DIRECTION OF THE PRESIDENT:

PAMELA ZINN

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF CORRESPONDENCE

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MR PRESIDENT

I URGE YOU TO APPOINT A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE HEART-RENDING CALAMITY WHICH OCCURRED IN THE AMERICAN SETTLEMENT OF JONESTOWN, GUYANA AND TO SEE THAT EVERY ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE IS GIVEN THE INNOCENT SURVIVORS AND TO THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO PERISHED IN THIS TRAGIC DISASTER.

I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT THE LEADERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION INCLUDE TWO DISTINGUISHED AND SENSITIVE CALIFORNIA CITIZENS, DOCTOR CARLETON GOODLETT AND STATE SENATOR WILLIE BROWN.

REVEREND JESSE L JACKSON
PRESIDENT
OPERATION PUSH
930 EAST 50 ST
CHICAGO IL 60615
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